

Publicly available airwaves have served us well as a nation for many decades, allowing tremendous growth in all sectors involved. Copying has been a part of that, creating and growing the entire market for home video recording equipment and supplies, as well as secondary growth in sales and rental of pre-recorded material for home viewing.

Blocking copying at this point would essentially kill those aftermarkets by removing a major reason to purchase such equipment and media. As well, it removes the ability of the consumer to time-shift their viewing for whatever reason they find it necessary.

Time shifting allows the consumer to watch content that they would otherwise miss due to work or other conflicts. Removing the ability to time-shift would reduce viewership of content, something surely not in Hollywood's interest.

By imposing copyright protections, everyone loses.